All these are to be burnt in the market place of Perm, and he
that first gave intelligence satisfied for his charges

6th April THE TOWN OF TWYFORD BURNT

Twyford a town in Devon is consumed bv fire This fire
began about one o'clock in the afternoon in a poor cottage
where a woman was frying pancakes witJi stra\\ for lack of otner
fuel, and in one hour and a half such was the rage of the fire
that it consumed 409 houses, .£150,000 in money, plate,
merchandise, household stuff, and houses Fifty persons are
consumed, but an almshouse preserved with the poor men
therein though in the midst of the flames. Nine thousand
people were there maintained by the making of cloth It is
thought of many that this is a just punishment of God upon the
town for the unmercifulness of the rich and small regard of the
poor, which were daily seen to perish in the streets for lack of
relief

jib Afril SIR ROBERT CECIL RECEIVED BY THE FRENCH KING.

Sir Robert Cecil did not reach the French King who was at
Angers until the ijth March, having travelled more than
300 miles Four days later he was received in audience of the
King, and many nobles of great quality, when he delivered the
Queen's letters, declaring further that it had pleased her
Majesty to make election of him to communicate her secret and
princely thoughts when it should please the King to discover
his own disposition and judgment of this project oi a general
treaty Mr Secretary's intention was that this first audience
should be but comphmental where the King might make public
acknowledgment of his obligation and respect towards her

Majesty Then he requested that the King would yield him some other access, beseeching him for this time only to permit him to present the Earl of Southampton who was come with deliberation to serve brm The King promised access the next day, and then very favourably embraced the Earl and the others presented to h™ Then he suddenly took Sir Robert by the hand, saying that he would walk with t"tn down into his garden *en quahtt famn^* where for an hour and a half he entertained him with many pleasant and familiar discourses of his